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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463



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April 7, 2009

MEMORANDUM

SENSITIVE

TO:

THE COMMISSION

THROUGH:

ROBERT HICKEY

STAFF DIRECTOR P For RAH

FROM:

JOHN D. GIBSON

CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

PATRICIA CARMONA +C ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

BY:

NATALIYA IOFFE/RHIANNON MAGRUDER/SARI PICKER

COMPLIANCE BRANCH

SUBJECT:

WITHDRAWAL AND RESUBMISSION OF REASON TO BELIEVE

RECOMMENDATION – 2008 YEAR-END REPORT FOR THE

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2008 Year-End Report in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 434(a). The Year-End Report was due on January 31, 2009.

The committees listed in the attached RTB Circulation Report either failed to file the report, filed the report more than five (5) days but no more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a late filed report), or filed the report more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a non-filed report). In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties for reports at 11 CFR 111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties highlighted on the attached circulation report.

Recommendation

- 2. Find reason to believe that all other political committees and their treasurers listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalties would be the amounts indicated on the RTB Circulation Report.
- 3. Send the appropriate letters.

29092643443 Federal Election Commission Reason to Believe Circulation Report 2008 YEAR-END Not Election Sensitive 01/31/2009 H_S_P_UNAUTH

AF#	Committee	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Treasurer	Threshold	δ	PV Receipt Date Days Late	Days Late	FOA	Penalty
2043	C00444067	ALASKANS FOR CUDDY	CUDDY, DAVID W.	BRUCE E. ELIASEN	\$2,517,748.00	0		Not Filed	Not Filed \$629,437 (est)	\$10,000
2044	2044 C00446476	AMIT SINGH FOR CONGRESS	SINGH, AMIT KUMAR	WENDY S. REIGHARD	\$123,334.00	0		Not Filed	\$30,834 (est)	006\$
2045	C00439869	BALDERMANN FOR CONGRESS	BALDERMANN, TIM	KENDALL LYNCHEY	\$157,306.00	0		Not Filed	Not Filed \$157,306 (est)	\$5,500
2046	C00436535	BENJAMIN LODMELL FOR U S CONGRESS	LODMELL, BENJAMIN	BENJAMIN LODMELL	\$121,932.00	0		Not Filed	\$40,644 (est)	006\$
2047	C00443036	BENNY SHENDO FOR CONGRESS	SHENDO, BENNY, JR.	JOSEPH A. GARCIA	\$321,859.00	0		Not Filed	\$80,465 (est)	\$3,500
2048	C00443762	2048 C00443762 CARRARO FOR CONGRESS	CARRARO, JOSEPH J.	C. BERT LEDBETTER	\$146,500.00	0		Not Filed	\$36,625 (est)	006\$

\$625	\$1,350
Not Filed \$20,185 (est)	Not Filed \$44,273 (est) \$1,350
Not Filed	Not Filed
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\$141,295.00	\$177,090.00
KEN FRANCIS G. \$141,295.00 1 CHASE	MCKINNEY, LISA DARLENE \$177,090.00 2
CHASE, KEN	MCKINNEY, RAYMOND
CHASE FOR SENATE	CITIZENS FOR RAY MCKINNEY
2050 C00417972	2052 C00444208
2050	2052

\$2,700	\$3,375	\$3,500
Not Filed \$62,966 (est) \$2,700	Not Filed \$57,169 (est) \$3,375	Not Filed \$85,051 (est) \$3,500
Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed
0	1	0
ROLAND \$188,899.00 0 BARTHE	\$343,017.00	\$1,275,764.00
İ	MARY WRIGHT \$343,017.00	CLAREMONT RUFF
SMITH, KENYA J. H.	WRIGHT, MARY D.	COX, JOHN H.
2054 C00453852 COMMITTEE TO ELECT SMITH, KENYA KENYA CONGRESS J. H.	2055 C00449876 COMMITTEE TO ELECT WRIGHT, I MARY WRIGHT D.	2056 C00420224 COX 2008 COMMITTEE INC COX, JOHN H. CLAREMONT \$1,275,764.00 0
C00453852	C00449876	C00420224
2054	2055	2056

AF#	Committee	AF# Committee Committee Name Candidate	Candidate Name	Name Treasurer	Threshold PV Receipt Date Days Late LOA	PV	Receipt Date	Days Late		Penalty
2058	C00447029	2058 C00447029 DARIUS FOR CONGRESS SHAHINF DARIUS	SHAHINFAR, DARIUS	DARIUS SHAHINFAR	\$477,471.00 0 2/18/2009	0	2/18/2009	18	680'2\$	\$140
2059	C00444984	2059 C00444984 DECUIR FOR CONGRESS DECUIR, J. MAURIC	DECUIR, JASON MAURICE	ASON WINSTON G. \$276,237.00 CE DECUIR, SR.	\$276,237.00	0		Not Filed	Not Filed \$69,059 (est) \$2,700	\$2,700

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\$2,700	\$500	\$8,125	\$500	006\$
\$69,080 (est)	Not Filed \$17,523 (est)	Not Filed \$217,493 (est)	Not Filed \$17,477 (est)	Not Filed \$47,642 (est)
Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed
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\$345,400.00	\$122,663.00	\$1,957,437.00	\$139,812.00	\$142,927.00
ERIC ANIA EGLAND \$345,400.00	EDWIN K. WASHINGTON	TRAVIS M. DROUIN	S, BARBARA ANNE ANNE FERRIS	ERIC LEO FUNK
EGLAND, ERIC IVER		FINEGOLD, BARRY	FERRIS, BARBARA ANNE	STROUP, JOHN REA
ERIC EGLAND FOR CONGRESS	FANNIE LOU HAMER FEDERAL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTE	FINEGOLD COMMITTEE	FRIENDS OF BARBARA FERRIS	2065 C00444992 FRIENDS OF JOHN STROUP STROUP, REA
2061 C00438077	2062 C00294918	2063 C00431049	2064 C00395392	C00444992
2061	2062	2063	2064	2065

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\$2,700	006\$	\$2,700	\$2,700
Not Filed \$53,693 (est) \$2,700	Not Filed \$49,321 (est)	Not Filed \$64,933 (est) \$2,700	Not Filed \$56,841 (est) \$2,700
Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed
0	0	0	0
\$429,544.00	\$345,248.00	\$194,799.00	\$397,888.00
MURPHY F. \$429,544.00 0 BELL JR.	KATHLEEN D. CASSIDY	THE, CHRISTOPHER \$194,799.00 0 S. LAWLESS ELL	JAN MARSHALL
JACKSON, MICHAEL	DOUGHERTY, JENNIFER P.	FORSYTHE, JAMES RUSSELL	ELROD, JONATHAN ROBERT
2067 C00445189 JACKSON FOR CONGRESS	2068 C00441444 JENNIFER DOUGHERTY FOR DOUGHERTY, KATHLEEN D. \$345,248.00 0 CONGRESS JENNIFER P. CASSIDY	JIM FORSYTHE FOR CONGRESS	JONELROD.COM
C00445189	C00441444	2069 C00447052	2070 C00442863
2067	2068	2069	2070

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\$500	\$235	\$2,700	\$170	\$9,000	\$140	\$9,500	\$750	006\$	\$5,500.00	\$4,500
\$10,213	\$14,204	\$59,690 (est)	\$3,471	\$360,371 (est)	\$330	\$537,654 (est)	\$20,978	\$29,470 (est)	\$172,578 (est)	\$129,423 (est)
Not Filed	27	Not Filed	59	Not Filed	23	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed
3/25/2009	2/27/2009		3/1/2009		2/23/2009					
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\$206,842.00	\$451,239.00	\$298,449.00	\$182,844.00	\$1,441,485.00	\$153,899.00	\$2,150,616.00	\$104,891.00	\$117,880.00	\$690,313.00	\$776,540.00
GRAFFINO	JOHN C. SCHMIDT	KOREY BOALS	MICHAEL	PHIL	MILDRED	STEPHEN S. HERSHEY, JR.	TONI STEFANO	KIMBERLY REED	CARMEN FLORES- RANCE	JANE E. FAULKNER
		ANDERSON, MARK		ONDER, ROBERT FRANK, JR.		PIPKIN, E. J.		REED, CHRISTOPHER	MUNOZ, RICARDO	SCONTRAS, DEAN P.
LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMENS ASSOC AFL-CIO POLITICAL ACTION AND EDUCATION FUND	LOUISIANA REFORM PAC	MARK ANDERSON FOR CONGRESS	OHIO COAL ASSOCIATION PAC	ONDER FOR CONGRESS	PHILADELPHIA JOINT BOARD UNITE HERE TIPS	PIPKIN FOR CONGRESS	RECREATIONAL FISHING ALLIANCE, PAC	REED FOR US SENATE 2008 INC	RICARDO MUNOZ FOR CONGRESS	C00437152 SCONTRAS FOR CONGRESS
C00001743	C00409631	C00443986	C00381277	C00446799	C00165324	C00442558	C00363812	C00449629	C00433128	C00437152
2072	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083
	C00001743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL GRAFFINO CRAFFINO AFL-CIO POLITICAL ACTION FUND AND EDUCATION FUND	C00001743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY \$206,842.00 3/25/2009 Not Filed \$10,213	C00001743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY \$206,842.00 0 3/25/2009 Not Filed \$10,213 LONGSHOREMENS ASSOC AFL-CIO POLITICAL ACTION AND EDUCATION FUND SCHMIDT SCHMIDT SCHMIDT C00443986 MARK ANDERSON FOR ANDERSON KOREY BOALS \$298,449.00 0 2/27/2009 27 \$14,204 C00443986 MARK ANDERSON FOR ANDERSON KOREY BOALS \$298,449.00 0 Not Filed \$59,690 (est) C00463986 MARK ANDERSON FOR ANDERSON KOREY BOALS \$298,449.00 0 Not Filed \$59,690 (est)	C00001743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY \$206,842.00 0 3/25/2009 Not Filed \$10,213	C00446799 COO446799 COO4	CO0001743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY S206,842.00 ANDERSOC AFL-CIO POLITICAL ACTION FUND	COOO01743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY S206,842.00 O 3/25/2009 Not Filed \$10,213	COOQ01743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL	CO0001743 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY \$206,842.00 0 3/25/2009 Not Filed \$10,213 LOUISIANA REFORM PAC	CO00407431 LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL ANTHONY S206,842.00 0 37552009 Not Filed \$10,213 CO0409831 LOUISIANA REFORM PAC

\$3,500	
Not Filed \$81,691 (est)	
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\$653,524.00	
WILLIAM TODD LONG	
LONG, WILLIAM TODD	
TODD LONG FOR CONGRESS	
C00430520	
2085	

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renany	\$250	\$140	36,56
FOA	\$2,832	\$6,881	Not Filed \$203,505 (est) \$6,500
Days Late	Not Filed	18	Not Filed
Inreshold PV Receipt Date Days Late	3/5/2009	2/18/2009	
₹	0	0	0
Ihreshold	\$104,354.00	\$105,456.00	\$610,514.00 0
Name Treasurer	DOUGLAS R. \$104,354.00 0 3/5/2009 Not Filed \$2,832 SHARPS	KENNETH PON \$105,456.00 0 2/18/2009	MARIA SCHILLACI
Candidate Name			WYNE, JAMSHAD
Committee Name	2086 C00340828 TROVER SOLUTIONS INC	UNITED DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN OF ALAMEDA COUNTY	2088 C00451831 WYNE FOR CONGRESS
AF# Committee	C00340828	2087 C00403774	C00451831
*	2086	2087	2088

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

	In the Matter of)		
	Withdrawal and Resubmission of Reason	Ś		
	To Believe Recommendation - 2008 Year	Ś		
	End Report for the Administrative Fine	Ś		
	Program:	í		
	ALASKANS FOR CUDDY, and BRUCE E	Ś	AF# 2043	
	ELIASEN as treasurer;	Ś		
	AMIT SINGH FOR CONGRESS, and	Ś	AF# 2044	
	WENDY S REIGHARD as treasurer;	Ś		
	BALDERMANN FOR CONGRESS, and	í	AF# 2045	
	LYNCHEY, KENDALL as treasurer;	í		
	BENJAMIN LODMELL FOR U.S.	Ś	AF# 2046	
	CONGRESS, and BENJAMIN LODMELL	Ś		
	as treasurcr;	í		
	BENNY SHENDO FOR CONGRESS, and	í	AF# 2047	
	JOSEPH A GARCIA as treasurer;	Ś		
	CARRARO FOR CONGRESS, and C	Ś	AF# 2048	
	BERT LEDBETTER as treasurer;	Ś		
	CHASE FOR SENATE, and FRANCIS G CHASE as treasurer;)	AF# 2050	
l_	CITIZENS FOR RAY MCKINNEY, and	_	AF# 2052	
	LISA DARLENE MCKINNEY as	,	A1.# 2032	
	treasurer,			
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1	COMMITTEE TO ELECT KENYA 2	7	AF# 2054	
	CONGRESS, and ROLAND BARTHE as	í		
	treasurer:	Ś		
	COMMITTEE TO ELECT MARY	Ś	AF# 2055	
	WRIGHT, and MARY WRIGHT as	Ś	–	
	treasnrer;	í		
	COX 2008 COMMITTEE INC, and RUFF,	Ś	AF# 2056	
	CLAREMONT as treasurer;	í		
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DARIUS FOR CONGRESS, and) AF# 2058
SHAHINFAR, DARIUS as treasurer;)
DECUIR FOR CONGRESS, and) AF# 2059
WINSTON G DECUIR SR as treasurer;)
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EDIC ECI AND EOD CONCRESS and) AF# 2061
ERIC EGLAND FOR CONGRESS, and) Ar# 2001
EGLAND, ANIA as treasurer; FANNIE LOU HAMER FEDERAL)) ATH 2062
) AF# 2062
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTE, and	ļ
EDWIN K WASHINGTON as treasurer;)
FINEGOLD COMMITTEE, and TRAVIS) AF# 2063
M DROUIN as treasurer;)
FRIENDS OF BARBARA FERRIS, and) AF# 2064
BARBARA ANNE FERRIS as treasurer;)
FRIENDS OF JOHN STROUP, and ERIC) AF# 2065
LEO FUNK as treasurer;)
JACKSON FOR CONGRESS, and) AF# 2067
MURPHY F BELL JR as treasurer;	<i>)</i> Λεπ 2007 \
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JENNIFER DOUGHERTY FOR) AF# 2068
CONGRESS, and KATHLEEN D)
CASSIDY as treasurer;)
JIM FORSYTIE FOR CONGRESS, and) AF# 2069
CHRISTOPHER LAWLESS as treasurer;)
JONELROD.COM, and JAN MARSHALL) AF# 2070
as treasurer;)
LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL) AF# 2072
LONGSHOREMENS ASSOC AFL-CIO)
POLITICAL ACTION AND EDUCATION	`
FUND, and ANTHONY GRAFFINO as	,
treasurer:	<i>,</i>
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LOUISIANA REFORM PAC, and) AF# 2074
SCHMIDT, JOHN C as treasurer;)
MARK ANDERSON FOR CONGRESS,) AF# 2075
and BOALS, KORRY as treasurer;)

OIIIO COAL ASSOCIATION PAC, and)	AF# 2076
CAREY^MICHAEL^^ as treasurer;)	
ONDER FOR CONGRESS, and PHIL)	AF# 2077
ECKELKAMP as treasurer;	j	
PHILADELPHIA JOINT BOARD UNITE)	AF# 2078
HERE TIPS, and MS MILDRED)	
SALDANA as treasurer;)	
PIPKIN FOR CONGRESS, and STEPHEN)	AF# 2079
S HERSHEY JR as treasurer;)	
RECREATIONAL FISHING ALLIANCE,)	AF# 2080
PAC, and TONI STEFANO as treasurer;	j.	
REED FOR US SENATE 2008 INC, and)	AF# 2081
KIMBERLY REED as treasurer;)	
RICARDO MUNOZ FOR CONGRESS,)	AF# 2082
and CARMEN FLORES-RANCE as)	
treasurer;)	
SCONTRAS FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 208 3
GORDON A DAVIS as treasurer;)	
TODD LONG FOR CONGRESS, and)	AF# 2085
LONG, WILLIAM TODD MR. as)	
treasurer;	j	
TROVER SOLUTIONS INC, and)	AF# 2086
DOUGLAS R SHARPS as treasurer;)	
UNITED DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN OF)	AF# 2087
ALAMEDA COUNTY, and KENNETH)	
PON CPA as treasurer;)	
WYNE FOR CONGRESS, and MARIA)	AF# 2088
SCHILLACI as treasurer;)	
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CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on April 08, 2009 the Commission took the following actions on the Withdrawal and Resubmission of Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2008 Year End Report for the Administrative Fine Program as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated April 07, 2009, on the following committees:

AF#2043 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ALASKANS FOR CUDDY, and BRUCE E ELIASEN as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2044 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that AMIT SINGH FOR CONGRESS, and WENDY S REIGHARD as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2045 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that BALDERMANN FOR CONGRESS, and LYNCHEY, KENDALL as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2046 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that BENJAMIN LODMELL FOR U S CONGRESS, and BENJAMIN LODMELL as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would he the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2047 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that BENNY SHENDO FOR CONGRESS, and JOSEPH A GARCIA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2048 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CARRARO FOR CONGRESS, and C BERT LEDBETTER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Baucrly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2050 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CHASE FOR SENATE, and FRANCIS G CHASE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2052 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CITIZENS FOR RAY MCKINNEY, and LISA DARLENE MCKINNEY as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2054 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that COMMITTEE TO ELECT KENYA 2 CONGRESS, and ROLAND BARTHE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2055 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that COMMITTEE TO ELECT MARY WRIGHT, and MARY WRIGHT as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would he the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2056 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that COX 2008 COMMITTEE INC, and RUFF, CLAREMONT as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount

indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2058 Decided hy a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DARIUS FOR CONGRESS, and SHAHINFAR, DARIUS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2059 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DECUIR FOR CONGRESS, and WINSTON G DECUIR SR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2061 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ERIC EGLAND FOR CONGRESS, and EGLAND, ANIA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Batterly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2062 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that FANNIE LOU HAMER FEDERAL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTE, and EDWIN K WASHINGTON as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Peterson, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2063 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that FINEGOLD COMMITTEE, and TRAVIS M DROUIN as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated

on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Baucrly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2064 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that FRIENDS OF BARBARA FERRIS, and BARBARA ANNE FERRIS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would he the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2065 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that FRIENDS OF JOHN STROUP, and ERIC LEO FUNK as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2067 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JACKSON FOR CONGRESS, and MURPHY F BELL IR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintrauh voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2068 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JENNIFER DOUGHERTY FOR CONGRESS, and KATHLEEN D CASSIDY as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2069 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JIM FORSYTHE FOR CONGRESS, and CHRISTOPHER LAWLESS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2070 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JONELROD.COM, and JAN MARSHALL as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount

indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2072 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LOCAL 1814 INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMENS ASSOC AFL-CIO POLITICAL ACTION AND EDUCATION FUND, and ANTHONY GRAFFINO as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the eivil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Ilunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2074 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LOUISIANA REFORM PAC, and SCHMIDT, JOHN C as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Baucrly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2075 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MARK ANDERSON FOR CONGRESS, and BOALS, KOREY as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2076 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that OHIO COAL ASSOCIATION PAC, and CAREY^MICHAEL^^ as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2077 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ONDER FOR CONGRESS, and PHIL ECKELKAMP as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a

preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2078 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that PHILADELPHIA JOINT BOARD UNITE HERE TIPS, and MS MILDRED SALDANA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2079 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that PIPKIN FOR CONGRESS, and STEPHEN S HERSHEY JR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn 11, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2080 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that RECREATIONAL FISHING ALLIANCE, PAC, and TONI STEFANO as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2081 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that REED FOR US SENATE 2008 INC, and KIMBERLY REED as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil moncy penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2082 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that RICARDO MUNOZ FOR CONGRESS, and CARMEN FLORES-RANCE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2083 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SCONTRAS FOR CONGRESS, and GORDON A DAVIS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2085 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that TODD LONG FOR CONGRESS, and LONG, WILLIAM TODD MR. as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C.

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434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Conunissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2086 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that TROVER SOLUTIONS INC, and DOUGLAS R SHARPS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2087 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that UNITED DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, and KENNETH PON CPA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2088 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that WYNE FOR CONGRESS, and MARIA SCHILLACI as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

April 8, 2009

Date

Mary W, Dove

Secretary of the Commission



April 13, 2009

Kendall Lynchey as Treasurer Baldermann for Congress P.O. Box 2862 Joliet, IL 60434

C00439869 AF#: 2045

Dear Mr. Lynchey:

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file a Year End Report of Receipts and Disbursements every calendar year. This report, covering the period through December 31, 2008, was due no later than January 31, 2009. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). Records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that this report was not filed within thirty (30) days of the due date. You should file this report if you have not already done so.

The Act was amended in 1999 to permit the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4). On April 8, 2009, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Baldermann for Congress and you as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before January 31, 2009. Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$5,500. Please see the attached copy of the Commission's administrative fine regulations at 11 C.F.R. §§ 111.30-11.46. Attachment 1. The Commission's website contains further information about how the administrative fine program works and how the fines are calculated. See http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml. 11 C.F.R. § 111.34. Your payment is due within forty (40) days of the finding, or by May 18, 2009, and is based on these factors:

Election Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive

Level of Activity: \$157,306 Number of Days Late: Not Filed

Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

To Pay the Calculated Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the calculated civil money penalty, send the enclosed remittance form, along with your payment, to the FEC at the address on page 4. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

To Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Calculated Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response, including the AF# found on page one, to the FEC's Office of Administrative Review, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Your response must be received within forty (40) days of the Commission's RTB finding, or May 18, 2009. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(a). Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty. The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on a factual error in the RTB finding; miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control, 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). In order for a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 hours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Id. Examples of circumstances that will be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, a failure of Commission computers or Commission-provided software despite you seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and severe weather or other disaster-related incident. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(c). Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, negligence; delays caused by vendors or contractors; treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; committee computer, software, or internet service provider failures; failure to know filing dates; and failure to use filing software properly. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d). Your response must include the factual basis supporting the reason(s) and supporting documentation. The FEC strongly encourages that documents be submitted in the form of affidavits or declarations. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(c).

Pursuant to the Commission's regulations, the "failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver" of your right to present such argument in a petition to the district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

If you intend to be represented by counsel, please advise the Office of Administrative Review. You should provide, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of your counsel and authorize counsel to receive notifications and communications relating to this challenge and imposition of the calculated civil money penalty.

If You Do Not Pay the Calculated Civil Money Penalty or Submit a Challenge

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty or submit a written response, the FEC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Baldermann for Congress and you as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty.

Unpaid civil money penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA") as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. The FEC may take any and all appropriate action authorized and required by the DCA, as amended, including transfer to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. 11 C.F.R. § 111.45.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). It will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on the public record in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.42, unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

As noted earlier, you may obtain additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, on the FEC's website at http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml. If you have questions regarding the payment of the calculated civil money penalty, please contact Rhiannon Magruder in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130. If you have questions regarding the submission of a challenge, please contact the Office of Administrative Review at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Steven Swatther

Steven T. Walther

Chairman

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at RTB is \$5,500 for the 2008 Year-End Report.

Please mail this remittance with a check or money order made payable to the Federal Election Commission to the following address:

Federal Election Commission P.O. Box 979058 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your remittance and payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox FEC #979058

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1005 Convention Plaza

Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL

St. Louis, MO 63101

The remittance and your payment are due by May 18, 2009. Upon receipt of your remittance and payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTS). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on your check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

FOR: Baldermann for Congress

FEC ID#: C00439869

AF#: 2045

PAYMENT DUE DATE: May 18, 2009

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$5,500



2009 MAY 19 P 12: 24

Timothy A. Baldermann

New Lenox, IL 60451

May 18, 2009

Federal Election Commission
Office of Administrative Review
999 E. Street NW
Washington, DC 20463

Attn: Steven T. Walther

Re: AF2045- RTB

Response of Timothy Baldermann

Dear Mr. Walther:

This letter is my response to the FEC's letter dated April 13, 2009 ("The Letter"). The Letter states that the FEC has reason to believe that I was the treasurer for Baldermann for Congress, and that I failed to file the appropriate reports.

Pursuant to 11 CFR 111.35 (b) (1) (i), I hereby challenge the FEC's RTB finding on the basis that it contains factual errors as it pertains to me personally. The error that forms the basis for my challenge is the fact that I am not, and never have been, the treasurer of the committee.

According to the committee's statement of organization, Christopher J. Ward was the committee's treasurer. Further, there was a filing that stated Kendall Lynchey was later identified as the committee's treasurer. Although, I was aware of Christopher Ward being treasurer for the committee, I was not informed, and do not believe that, Kendall Lynchey ever served in that capacity.

I was a candidate for the United States House of Representatives in the February 2008 primary. Immediately after winning the primary, I announced I was going to withdraw from the race. Exhibit A is my notice sent to the Office of the Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives, declaring my official withdrawal on April 27, 2008.

Exhibit B is information I received from my campaign manager, Andy Sere. This shows that at the time of withdrawal, the campaign was actually \$6,493.67 in debt. There were no monies raised for the general election.

Exhibit C is correspondence to Andy McKenna Jr., chairman of the Illinois Republican Party, which outlines the agreement made between myself, the Republican Party of Illinois and the Martin Ozinga for Congress Committee.

Exhibit D is a personally signed letter from Andy Sere and Martin Ozinga stating that they were responsible for retiring the campaign debt of Baldermann for Congress as well as insuring that all administrative tasks related to closing down Baldermann for Congress would be completed. This included all the appropriate filings with the FEC.

Due to the fact that 2 USC 434 (a) (1) imposes the obligation to file the required reports on a political committee's treasurer, I believe I cannot reasonably be held responsible for the Committee's failure to file the appropriate reports.

Based on the above, I request that the FEC make a final determination that I have committed no violations and therefore am not held liable either financially or in any other regard.

Sincerely,

Timethy A. Baldermann

NOTICE:

If you have not yet raised (either through contributions or loans from yourself or others) or spent in excess of \$5,000 for your campaign, or if you have withdrawn your candidacy, please sign and date below, and return to the Office of the Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives, Legislative Resource Center, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-6612.

Office of the Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives Legislative Resource Center B-106 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-6601

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is to notify you that I have not yet raised (either through contributions or loans from myself or others) or spent in excess of \$5,000 for my campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives.

I understand that when I do raise or spend in excess of \$5,000 for my campaign, I must file a Financial Disclosure Statement with the Clerk of the House of Representatives according to the deadlines set out on page 2 and 3 of the Financial Disclosure Instruction booklet, a copy of which has been provided to me by the Clerk.

Name: (Please print o	r type)	<u>- </u>
Signature:	·	
Date:		
State:	District: Daytime Telephone:	

<u>or</u>

This is to notify you that under the laws of the state of TUNG, I withdrew my candidacy for the U.S. House of Representatives on Arri 27, 2068. [NOTE: If your Financial Disclosure Statement was due before the date on which you withdrew from the race, you still must file a Financial Disclosure Statement with the House.]

Name:	TIMOTHY A. BAWERMANN
(Please print or	type)
Signature:	1/C/ mun
Date:	08/6/08
State: I	District: 11 Daytime Telephone: (815)545-1344

Outstanding Bills

Checks that have been writing and mailed but have not yet been cashed

- Revere Strategy Group-\$1,000 (Website maintance monthly retainer)
- Andy Sere-\$65.85 (Staff Reimbursement)
- * AT&T Mobility- \$469.02 (Monthly Bill)
- Townsend Group-\$419.00 (Flight Reimbursement)

Checks that have been written but have not been mailed or cashed

- Winning Systems-
- Senica's Oak Ridge Golf Club- \$1,060.26 (Fundraising Expenses)
- Curtis Scott Advertising-\$1, 540 (Primary Palm Cards Reprint)

Companies that have not been paid/pending final invoices

- The UPS Store-\$200 (estimated)
- Nicor Gas-\$100 (estimated)
- ComED- \$100 (estimated)
- Comcast- \$1,268.97
- PDS Compliance \$3,000
- ATT Mobility- \$,1016.00 (prorated monthly bill +\$716)
 - o \$179 cancellation fee per line (4 total)
 - o \$469.02 monthly bill, estimated \$300 pro-rated monthly bill

As of 2/29/08:

Total Amount Owed to Vendors: \$14,760.94

Total Amount In the Bank: \$8,267.27

Difference Between the 2 Amounts: -\$6,493.67

April 28, 2008

Andy McKenna, Jr., Chairman Illinois Republican Party 205 W. Randolph, Suite 1245 Chicago, Illinois 60606

> Rc: Baldermann for Congress

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Dear Mr. McKenna:

Pursuant to my discussions with Andy Sere, I have executed my withdrawal of candidacy, and will deliver it to Andy on Monday April 28, 2008, with the Republican Party of Illinois assuring me by letter, that it will assume all responsibility to administer the closing of my congressional committee including completing all reports required by the FEC.

Also, the Ozinga campaign and Marty Ozinga will also guarantee payment of approximately \$8,000.00 to repay the outstanding obligations of the campaign committee. All necessary payments must be made to the State of Illinois and the federal government to pay any and all obligations of the committee. There will be approximately \$4,000.00 available from the funds in the committee to repay the outstanding obligations.

Please verify that we have a mutual understanding so that we can move forward to close out this committee and move forward with the Ozinga committee.

Very truly yours,

April 28, 2008

We, Andrew D. Seré and Martin Ozinga, III, shall be responsible for retiring the campaign debt (roughly \$8,000), via various sources and methods, of Baldermann for Congress. We, Andrew D. Seré and Martin Ozinga, III, shall also be responsible for ensuring that the Republican Party of Illinois completes all administrative tasks related to closing down Baldermann for Congress.

Andrew D. Seré

Martin Ozinga, III



Via First Class Mail

May 19, 2009

Kendall Lynchey, as Treasurer Baldermann for Congress 2647 Bimini Lane New Lenox, IL 60451

C00439869 AF# 2045

Dear Mr. Lynchey:

On May 19, 2009, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from the candidate which is being reviewed by the Office of Administrative Review. If you have any questions regarding your challenge, please contact this Office on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, ther. ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

Sincerely,

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Reviewing Officer

Off ce of Administrative Review

cc: Timothy Baldermann

Date: May 21, 2009

REFERRAL TO OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW CHALLENGE RECEIVED

AF#: 2045

Committee Name: Baldermann for Congress

Committee ID#: C00439869

Committee Address (if different than in RTB letter):

Treasurer Name (if different than in RTB finding): N/A

Attachments:

Copy of RTB Circulation Reports, dated April 3, 2009 and April 7, 2009, and

RTB Certification, dated April 8, 2009: Previously Forwarded

Attachment #: N/A

Certified Return Receipt (to be forwarded at later date if not yet received):N

Attachment #: N/A

Other Relevant Telecoms (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Original Correspondence Received by RAD in Response to RTB Letter (Y/N): Y

Attachment #: 2

RAD Staff Declaration (Y/N): Y

-2008 Year End Report Prior Notice, dated December 27, 2008.

-Non-Filer Letter, dated February 20, 2009.

-RTB Letter, dated April 13, 2009.

Attachment #: 3

Other RAD Information: (Y/N): Y - Memo to File, Copy of the Returned Letter,

Re-mail Info, Fax Transmittal

Attachment#: 4

DECLARATION OF NATALIYA IOFFE

- 1. I am the Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Chief of the Compliance Branch, I oversee the initial processing of the Administrative Fine Program. I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could and would testify competently to the following matters.
- 2. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to Baldermann for Congress:
 - A) Prior Notice, dated December 27, 2008, referencing the 2008 Year End Report (sent via electronic mail to: baldermannforcongress@gmail.com);
 - B) Non-Filer Letter, dated February 20, 2009, referencing the 2008 Year End Report;
 - C) Reason-to-Believe Letter, dated April 13, 2009, referencing the 2008 Year End Report.
- I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Baldermann for Congress has not yet filed the 2008 Year End Report with the Commission.
- 4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that all relevant telecoms for the matter have been provided.

 This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 21st day of May, 2009.

Nataliya Ioffe

Chief, Compliance Branch Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

December 27, 2008

CURRENT REPORT DUE

I. 2008 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Year-End	11/25/08 - 12/31/08	01/31/09	01/31/09 ²
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD ¹	OVERNIGHT	FILING DEADLINE
		REG. CERT. &	

II. UNSUCESSFUL 2008 PRIMARY ELECTION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES AND CANDIDATES NOT ACTIVE IN 2008 ELECTIONS

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	REPORTING	OVERNIGHT	FHING
REPORT	$PERIOD^{\perp}$	MAILING DEADLINE	DEADLINE
Year-End	10/01/08 - 12/31/08	01/31/09	01/31/09 ²

NOTE FOR COMMITTEES NOT REQUIRED TO FILE A POST-GENERAL ELECTION REPORT -- CHART II (see above)

For candidates who ran in 2008 but did not participate in the general election, the reporting period for the Year-End Report spans two election cycles. For this report only, committees should instead use the Post-Election Detailed Summary Page (FEC Form 3, Pages 5-8). Committees should not use the normal Detailed Summary Page.

Supplemental Filing Information is available on pages 3 and 4 of this notice.

¹These dates indicate the beginning and the end of the reporting period. A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

²Notice that this filing deadline falls on a weekend. Filing deadlines are not extended when they fall on nonworking days. Accordingly, reports filed by methods other than Registered, Certified or Overnight Mail, or electronically, must be received before the Commission's (or for Senate candidates, the Secretary of the Senate's) close of business on the last business day before the deadline.

REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR 2009

REPORTING DATES

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REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD ¹	REG./CERT. & OVERNIGHT MAILING DEADLINE	FILING DEADLINE
April Quarterly	01/01/09 - 03/31/09	04/15/09	04/15/09
July Quarterly	04/01/09 - 06/30/09	07/15/09	07/15/09
October Quarterly	07/01/09 - 09/30/09	10/15/09	10/15/09
Year-End	10/01/09 - 12/31/09	01/31/10	01/31/10 ²

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SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates³ (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file a Year-End Report on January 31, 2009. Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a termination report with the Commission. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

Electronic Filing

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. For additional information, call the Electronic Filing Office at (800) 424-9530 or (202) 694-1642 or visit our website at www.fec.gov/elecfil/electron.shtml.

Under the Commission's mandatory electronic filing regulations, U.S. House committees that receive contributions or make expenditures in excess of \$50,000 in a calendar year, or that have reason to expect to do so, must file all reports and statements with the FEC electronically. Other U.S. House committees may voluntarily file electronically; however, any entity that files electronically, whether required to do so or not, must comply with the electronic filing rules. U.S. Senate committees that file with the Secretary of the Senate are not subject to the mandatory electronic filing rules, but may file an unofficial copy of their reports with the Commission in order to speed disclosure.

Registered & Certified Mail

Reports sent by Registered or Certified Mail must be postmarked on or before the mailing deadline to be considered timely filed. A committee sending its reports by Certified Mail should keep its certified mailing receipt with the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) postmark as proof of filing because the USPS does not keep complete records of items sent by Certified Mail. A committee sending its report by Registered Mail should keep its proof of mailing. Note that a Certificate of Mailing from the USPS is not sufficient to prove that a report is timely filed using Registered, Certified or Overnight Mail.

³Generally, an individual becomes a candidate for Federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions received or expenditures made. If the campaign has not exceeded the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports. See 11 CFR 100.3(a).

⁴If a candidate has more than one authorized committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on Form 3Z.

Overnight Mail

Reports filed via overnight mail will be considered timely filed if the report is received by the delivery service on or before the mailing deadline. "Overnight mail" includes Priority or Express Mail having a delivery confirmation, or an overnight delivery service with which the report is scheduled for next business day delivery and is recorded in the service's on-line tracking system.

Other Means of Filing

Reports filed by any other means—including first class mail and courier—must be received by the Commission (or for Senate committees, the Secretary of the Senate) before the close of business on the last business day before the filing deadline.

Forms are available for downloading and printing at the FEC website at www.fec.gov/info/forms.shtml.

COMPLIANCE

Treasurer Responsibility. Treasurers of political committees are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time. For additional information, see the Commission's Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceedings on the web site at www.fec.gov/law/policy/2004/notice2004-20.pdf.

Administrative Fine Program. Under the Administrative Fine Program, political committees and their treasurers who fail to file their reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$16,000 (or more for repeat late- and non-filers).⁵ For additional information, visit the FEC website at www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml.

Report Format. In addition, political committees that file illegible reports or use non-FEC forms (except for FEC-approved, computer-generated forms) will be required to refile their reports.

Electronic Filers Must File Electronically. Electronic filers who instead file on paper, or who submit an electronic report (either by direct transmission, 3.5" diskette or CD) that does not pass the validation program by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline, will be considered non-filers and may be subject to enforcement actions (including administrative fines).

IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION - PAPER FILERS

In response to the anthrax threat, the U.S. Postal Service is irradiating mail directed to many federal agencies, including the FEC and the Secretary of the Senate. This process has not only delayed mail delivery, it has also damaged and in some cases destroyed pieces of mail. As a result, committees that file reports with the FEC may want to consider submitting their reports by some means other than U.S. mail. Alternative methods include electronic filing, overnight mail service, and hand delivery.

⁵Penalties for late- or non-filing of 48-hour notices are based on the amount of contributions not timely disclosed. As a result, these penalties may exceed \$16,000, even for first-time violations.

⁶Senate committees should contact the Secretary of the Senate at (202) 224-0322 for more on filing reports via US mail. FOR INFORMATION, CALL: (800) 424-9530 or (202) 694-1100

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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LYNCHEY, KENDALL, TREASURER BALDERMANN FOR CONGRESS PO BOX 2862 JOLIET, IL 60434

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00439869

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT 10/1/2008 - 12/31/2008

DEAR TREASURER:

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IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION THAT YOU MAY HAVE FAILED TO FILE THE ABOVE REFERENCED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT, AS AMENDED.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU FILE THIS REPORT IMMEDIATELY WITH THE FEDERAL BLECTION COMMISSION, 999 E STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463 FOR HOUSE CANDIDATES, OR THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, 232 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510 (MAILING ADDRESS: OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS, P.O. BOX 2517, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22301), FOR SENATE CANDIDATES. PLEASE NOTE THAT ELECTRONIC FILERS MUST SUBMIT THEIR REPORTS ELECTRONICALLY, AS PER 11 CFR \$104.18. A COPY OF THE REPORT MUST ALSO BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR EQUIVALENT STATE OFFICER UNLESS THE STATE IS EXEMPT FROM THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENT TO RECEIVE AND MAINTAIN PAPER COPIES. YOU CAN VERIFY THE COMMISSION'S RECEIPT OF ANY DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY YOUR COMMITTEE ON THE FEC WEBSITE AT WWW.FEC.GOV.

THE FAILURE TO TIMELY FILE THIS REPORT MAY RESULT IN CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES, AN AUDIT OR LEGAL ENFORCEMENT ACTION. THE CIVIL MONEY PENALTY CALCULATION FOR LATE REPORTS DOES NOT INCLUDE A GRACE PERIOD AND BEGINS ON THE DAY FOLLOWING THE DUE DATE FOR THE REPORT. DUE TO HEIGHTENED SECURITY SCREENING MEASURES, DELIVERY OF Mail by the us postal service may be delayed. The commission recommends that you SUBMIT YOUR REPORT VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY OR COURIER SERVICE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER, PLEASE CONTACT CHRISTOPHER RITCHIE AT OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530. OUR DIRECT LOCAL NUMBER IS (202) 694-1130.

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ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR

REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION (RAD)





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June 10, 2009

MEMORANDUM

To: The Commission

Through: Robert A. Hickey

Staff Director

From: John D. Gibsop 1

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Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

By: Maureen Benitz

Reviewing Analys

Subject: AF# 2045 - Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer

(C00439869)

The attached Reviewing Officer Recommendation is being circulated on an informational basis. A copy was also sent to the respondents in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The respondents may file with the Commission Secretary a written response within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendations.

The Committee is a respondent in three other cases: AF# 1795, AF# 1836 and AF# 1910. These four cases are being circulated together, and should be reviewed together, given the unique circumstances surrounding the Treasurer of the Committee.

On October 17, 2007, the Committee's original Statement of Organization was filed naming Christopher J. Ward as both the Treasurer and Custodian of Records. No other individuals are named as Designated Agents of the Committee. This Statement of Organization was hand delivered to the Commission. The Committee's first and only report was electronically filed on January 24, 2008 by Mr. Ward. On February 8, 2008, the Committee's Amended Statement of Organization was electronically filed. The Treasurer was changed from Christopher J. Ward to Kendall Lynchey. Margarita Almanza, the Deputy Campaign Manager, was named as the Custodian of Records.

Based on the response received from the Information Technology Division's Manager, confirmation of the successful upload of the February 8, 2008 Amended Statement of Organization was emailed to paul@pdscompliance.com.

In AF# 1795 and 1836, Mr. Lynchey is named as the respondent Treasurer. He submitted the challenges for these cases, denies any association with the Committee, and says he was named as Treasurer without his knowledge.

In AF# 1910, the Candidate is named as the respondent Treasurer. In Mr. Baldermann's challenge to the RTB finding in this case, he states that he was "aware of Christopher Ward being treasurer" but "was not informed" and does "not believe that Kendall Lynchey ever served" as Treasurer of the Committee. This corroborates Mr. Lynchey's assertion that he was not the Treasurer of the Committee.

As part of his challenge for AF# 1910, the Candidate includes two letters, one he sent to the Chairman of the Illinois Republican Party and one he received from Andrew D. Sere (whom he identifies as his campaign manager) and Martin Ozinga, III. In his letter to the Chairman, the Candidate specifically states that the Party will "assume all responsibility to administer the closing of my congressional committee including completing all reports required by the FEC," that the "Ozinga campaign and Marty Ozinga will also guarantee payment of approximately \$8,000.00 to repay the outstanding obligations," and there "will be approximately \$4,000.00 available ... to repay the ... obligations." In the letter from Mr. Sere and Mr. Ozinga, they state that they "shall be responsible for retiring the campaign debt" and the Party will complete "all administrative tasks related to closing down Baldermann for Congress." In this correspondence, there is no reference to naming a new Treasurer.

In AF# 2045, Mr. Lynchey is named as the respondent Treasurer. The Candidate submitted the challenge which is identical to the one he submitted for AF# 1910.

Staff has appealed in their conversations with the Candidate to file the missing reports with the expectation that the level of activity on the missing reports would go down and result in a significantly lower or possibly \$0 civil money penalty. The Reviewing Officer did this in her December 2008 conversation as well as the RAD Analyst in her May 11, 2009 conversation. As of this date, none of the reports have been filed.

Please note that in a conversation with the Reviewing Analyst who explained that future contacts will be with counsel since it appears he designated counsel for AF# 1910, Mr. Baldermann said he decided not to designate counsel at this time.

After the 10 day period, the Reviewing Officer Recommendation and the respondents' written response, if any, will be circulated to the Commission to make a final determination.

Attachments



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

June 10, 2009

REVIEWING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ("OAR")

AF# 2045 – Baldermann for Congress and Kendall Lynchey, as Treasurer (C00439869)

On April 8, 2009, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2008 Year-End Report, a non-election sensitive report, and made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$5,500 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. They were notified by the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") on April 13, 2009 of the Commission's RTB finding and civil money penalty. The RTB letter, sent to their address of record, was returned; and a copy was resent via FedEx to the Candidate at an alternate address

Respondents' Response

On May 19, 2009, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from Mr. Timothy A. Baldermann, the Candidate (RAD received a copy of the challenge via facsimile on May 18). He submitted an identical challenge for AF# 1910. In the challenge, Mr. Baldermann states that he is not, and has never been, Treasurer of the Committee. Furthermore, he states that he "was aware of Christopher Ward being treasurer" but he states that he "was not informed" and does "not believe that Kendall Lynchey ever served" as Treasurer of the Committee.

As part of his challenge for AF# 2045, the Candidate includes two letters, one he sent to the Chairman of the Illinois Republican Party and one he received from Andrew D. Sere (whom he identifies as his campaign manager) and Martin Ozinga, III. In his letter to the Chairman, the Candidate specifically states that the Party will "assume all responsibility to administer the closing of my congressional committee including completing all reports required by the FEC," that the "Ozinga campaign and Marty Ozinga will also guarantee payment of approximately \$8,000.00 to repay the outstanding obligations," and there "will be approximately \$4,000.00 available ... to repay the ... obligations." In the letter from Mr. Sere and Mr. Ozinga, they state that they "shall be responsible for retiring the campaign debt" and the Party will complete "all administrative tasks related to closing down Baldermann for Congress." In this correspondence, there is no reference to naming a new Treasurer.

Analysis

The 2008 Year-End Report has not been filed as of this date.

The Federal Election Campaign Act ("Act") states that the treasurer of a principal campaign committee of a candidate shall file a report for the period ending December 31 no later than January 31. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2)(A)(iii) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a)(1)(i). Reports electronically filed must be received and validated at or before 11:59 pm Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on January 31 to be timely filed. 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.19(c) and 104.5(e). The treasurer shall be personally responsible for the timely filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d). Every political committee shall have a treasurer and may designate an assistant treasurer who shall assume the treasurer's duties and responsibilities if there is a temporary or permanent vacancy in the office or the treasurer is unavailable. 2 U.S.C. § 432(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 102.7(a).

On October 17, 2007, the Committee filed its original Statement of Organization naming Christopher J. Ward as both the Treasurer and Custodian of Records. It appears that Mr. Ward signed the Statement. No other individuals are named as Designated Agents of the Committee. This Statement of Organization was hand delivered to the Commission. On February 8, 2008, Mr. Ward contacted the EFO requesting help with amending the Statement of Organization. Specifically, he called because the candidate name was not appearing on the form. Staff in the EFO assisted him and the Committee electronically filed an Amended Statement of Organization on that same day. The Treasurer was changed from Christopher J. Ward to Kendall Lynchey. Margarita Almanza, the Deputy Campaign Manager, is named as the Custodian of Records. Based on the response received from the Information Technology Division's Manager, confirmation of the successful upload of the February 8, 2008 Amended Statement of Organization was emailed to paul@pdscompliance.com.

On October 28, 2008, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from Mr. Kendall Lynchey for AF# 1795 and AF# 1836, two other cases involving the Committee. He requests that the Commission make a final determination that he did not violate 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) as he is not, and has never been, the Treasurer and has never filed or signed a Statement of Organization naming himself as Treasurer of the Committee. He states that he has never had access to the Committee's electronic filing password and could not, and did not, file the February amended Statement of Organization. He never had access to the Committee's P.O. Box, which is why he did not receive the Commission's correspondence. He further states that he never authorized any individual associated with the Committee to name him as Treasurer.

Included with Mr. Lynchey's challenges is a copy of the Statement of Organization, received October 17, 2007, and the Amended Statement of Organization, electronically filed on February 8, 2008.

Based on the evidence provided, it appears that Kendall Lynchey was not Treasurer, as he has affirmed in his challenges for AF# 1795 and AF# 1836 that he did not sign or authorize the signing of the Amended Statement of Organization filed on February 8, 2008. Neither Statement of Organization discloses an Assistant Treasurer for the Committee. In the challenge to AF# 1910 and AF# 2045, the Candidate says that he is not and was never the Treasurer and references the Illinois Republican Party, Mr. Sere

and Mr. Ozinga, who had agreed to close down the Committee; yet no one is designated as Treasurer nor is it clear who may have been acting as Treasurer. Nonetheless, whomever was serving in that capacity did not adequately close the Committee, as required by 2 U.S.C. § 433(d)(1) and 11 C.F.R § 102.3(b), and file the missing reports. As such, the Reviewing Officer recommends that the Commission make a final determination against the Committee and its Treasurer in AF# 2045.

Staff members from both RAD and OAR have spoken with the Candidate on several occasions, urging him to file the missing reports. In March of 2008, the RAD Analyst spoke with the Candidate at length, explaining how to download the FECFile software and user manual, amend the Statement of Organization (the Candidate told her he is handling everything for the Committee), file a debt settlement plan and terminate the Committee. Furthermore, the Analyst explained that the Committee could not terminate until several issues raised in the Request for Additional Information were addressed. The Analyst clearly stated that the Committee was not eligible for termination at that point.

In December of 2008, the Reviewing Officer spoke with the Candidate in great detail about the Administrative Fine Program, the basis of Mr. Lynchey's challenge, and the missing reports. In this conversation, the Candidate acknowledged having some records, as well as stating that there was activity during the reporting periods in question. The Candidate stated that he did not remember downloading the FECFile software, as the RAD Analyst instructed in March of 2008. It was stressed that any documentation regarding the naming of Treasurer should be provided to OAR with the challenge. Furthermore, the Reviewing Officer emphasized that the reports should be filed and that, based on his description of the financial activity, the RTB fine may be reduced if the actual level of activity is closed. Lastly, the Reviewing Officer faxed copies of the RTB letters, the challenges submitted by Mr. Lynchey, as well as the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages for the 2008 12 Day Pre-Primary Report, to the Candidate.

The last report received by the Commission from the Committee is the 12 Day Pre-Primary Report which covers October 1, 2007 – January 16, 2008 and was electronically filed on January 24, 2008. This report discloses an ending cash balance of \$50,414.33. In the challenges for AF# 1910 and 2045, the Candidate includes a list of financial activity that has not been disclosed on the proper FEC form. Based on this information, it is clear that there was financial activity during the reporting periods in question and reports must be filed to accurately disclose such activity.

The administrative fine regulations' schedule of civil money penalties is based on four factors – if the report is election sensitive or not election sensitive, the level of activity on the late report or the estimated level of activity if it is not filed, the number of days late, and any previous civil money penalties assessed. 11 C.F.R § 111.43(a)(2), (d) and (e). The Year-End Report is not an election sensitive report. To date, it has not been filed, thus, the RTB fine was based on an estimated level of activity of \$157,306. The respondents have no prior violations. Had the respondents filed the 2008 Year-End Report prior to the Commission's RTB finding, the amount of the civil money penalty

would have been calculated using the actual level of activity disclosed for that reporting period.

Staff appealed in their conversations with the Candidate to file the missing reports with the expectation that the level of activity on the missing reports would go down and result in a significantly lower or possibly \$0 civil money penalty. The Reviewing Officer did this in her December 2008 conversation as well as the RAD Analyst in her May 11, 2009 conversation. As of this date, none of the reports have been filed.

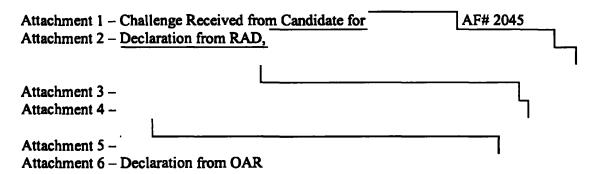
Therefore, the Reviewing Officer recommends that the Commission make a final determination that the Committee and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$5,500.

OAR Recommendations

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2045 involving Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2045 that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$5,500; and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

Reviewing Analyst: Maureen Benitz

Attachments



DECLARATION OF MAUREEN BENITZ

- 1. I am the Reviewing Analyst in the Office of Administrative Review for the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Reviewing Analyst, I conduct research with respect to all challenges submitted in accordance with the Administrative Fine program.
- 2. The 2008 April Quarterly Report is due April 15, 2008. If electronically filed, it must be received and validated by the Commission at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on April 15 to be timely filed.
- 3. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and that the documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the:
 - a) Page 1 and 2 of the Summary Page for the 2008 12 Day Pre-Primary Report electronically filed by Baldermann for Congress and Christopher Ward, as Treasurer. According to Commission records, the report was received on January 24, 2008 and covers the period from October 1, 2007 through January 16, 2008. Line 8 shows an ending cash on hand balance of \$50,414.33; and
 - b) Six 48-Hour Notices electronically filed by Baldermann for Congress and Christopher Ward, as Treasurer. According to Commission records, the Notices were received on January 19, January 23, two on January 27, January 29 and February 2, 2008. The Notices list 18 contributions totaling \$28,600 received on January 1, 17, 22, 25, 26, 29 and 31, 2008.

4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed at Washington on the 10th of June, 2009.

Maureen Benitz

Reviewing Analyst

Office of Administrative Review Federal Election Commission

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845 Larch Ave Elmhurst	IL	60126	Occupation CEO		
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Chicago	IL	60606	Occupation Partner		
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Gregory P. Kolinski			Ledcor Construction	day, year)	this Period
10532 Great Egret Dr				01/25/2008	1000.00
Orland Park	IL	60467	Occupation Preconstruction Manager		
Full Name, Address, and 2	ZIP Code		Name of Employer	Date (month,	Amount Received
Fred A. Krehbiel			Molex Inc	day, year)	this Period
505 South County Line Ro	ś			01/25/2008	1000.00
Hinsdale	IL	60521	Occupation Executive		
Full Name, Address, and	ZIP Code		Name of Employer	Date (month,	Amount Received
John D. Peacock			Peacock & McFarland	day, year)	this Period
2576 Creekside Ln			!	01/25/2008	1000.00
Morris	IL	60450	Occupation Attorney		}
Full Name, Address, and	ZIP Code		Name of Employer	Date (month,	Amount Received
Charles E. Smith, Jr				day, year)	this Period
18645 W West Creek Dr				01/25/2008	1000.00
Tinley Creek	IL	60477	Occupation		ļ
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Mark Vandenberg			I	day, year)	this Period
20658 Francisca Way				01/25/2008	1000.00
Frankfort	!L	60423	Occupation	\neg	

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Name of Individual, Organization, or Corporation

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George Barr 2801 Black Rd		01/26/2008			
Joliet	IL	60435	Occupation Contractor		
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424 C Street NE				01/26/2008	5000.00
Basement UNIT Washington	DC	20002	Occupation		

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17 Ridge Farm Rd				01/29/2008	1000.00
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C&F Partnership 9821 S 78th Ave				01/31/2008	2300.00
Hickory Hills	IL	60457	Occupation		
Full Name, Address, and ZIP Code			Name of Employer	Date (month,	Amount Received
AMERICAN BANKERS ASSOCIATION PAC (BANKPA- C) 1120 Connecticut Avenue NW				day, year) 01/31/2008	this Period 2500.00
Washington	DC	20036	Occupation		

TOTAL THIS PERIOD (last page only)

4800.00



VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

June 15, 2009

Kendall Lynchey
Baldermann for Congress
c/o 1938 E. Lincoln Highway, Suite 210
New Lenox, Illinois 60451

C00439869 AF# 1795, 1836 and 2045

Dear Mr. Lynchey:

On September 19, 2008 and April 8, 2009, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Baldermann for Congress and you, as Treasurer ("respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2008 April and July Quarterly, and Year End Reports, respectively. The Commission also made preliminary determinations on these dates that the civil money penalty was \$5,500 for each of these three reports based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

After reviewing the written responses and any supplemental information submitted by you and Commission staff, the Reviewing Officer has recommended that the Commission make a final determination in these matters. Copies of the Reviewing Officer's recommendations are attached.

You may file with the Commission Secretary a written response to the recommendations within 10 days of the date of this letter. Your written response should be sent to the Commission Secretary, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. As a result of the anthrax threat in the Washington, DC area, US Postal Service mail delivery to federal agencies, including the Commission, has been interrupted. Until regular mail delivery resumes, you may also file your written response with the Commission Secretary via facsimile (202-208-3333) or by courier at the same address (if you use an overnight delivery service, please use zip code 20004 instead of zip code 20463). Please include the AF numbers in your response. Your response may not raise any arguments not raised in the original written responses or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendations. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The Commission will then make final determinations in these matters.

Please contact me at the toll free number 800-424-9530 (press 0, then press 1660) or 202-694-1660 if you have any questions.

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Office of Administrative Review

cc: Timothy Baldermann

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July 22, 2009

MEMORANDUM

To: The Commission

Through: Robert A. Hickey

Staff Director

From: John D. Gibson

Chief Compliance Officer

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Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

By: Maureen Benitz

Reviewing Analyst

Subject: Final Determination Recommendation in AF# 2045 – Baldermann

for Congress and Kendall Lynchey, as Treasurer (C00439869)

On April 8, 2009, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2008 Year-End Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$5,500 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

On May 19, 2009, the Commission received the respondents' written response ("challenge"). After reviewing the challenge, the Reviewing Officer's recommendation ("ROR") dated June 10, 2009 was forwarded to the Commission, a copy was sent to the respondents and candidate, and is hereby incorporated by reference. The Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that the Committee and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$5,500.

Within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation, the respondents may file a written response with the Commission Secretary which may not raise any arguments not raised in the respondents' challenge or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The Reviewing Analyst spoke with Mr. Lynchey's representative on June 15 who said he would likely respond to the ROR to clarify that Mr. Lynchey was not involved with Christopher Ward, the Committee's

original Treasurer. She spoke with Mr. Baldermann on June 25 about the ROR; he did not indicate if he would respond to it. As of this date, no written response has been received.

On July 7, 2009, the Commission received, via facsimile, the paper copy of the Year-End Report which discloses \$4 in total receipts and \$0 in total disbursements. The report was filed electronically on July 10, 2009. Had the report been filed disclosing this level of activity (\$4) prior to the Commission's RTB finding, the civil money penalty would have been \$4 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a)(2)(i)(A) and (iii) as the schedule of penalties states that a penalty for respondents with no prior violations shall not exceed the level of activity in the report.

The Reviewing Officer recommends, however, that the Commission make a final determination that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$0 as the outlay of additional resources on this case to collect a \$4 civil money penalty is not in the best interests of the Commission or the respondents.

OAR Recommendations

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2045 involving Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2045 that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from \$5,500); and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
Final Determination Recommendation:) AF 2045
Baldermann for Congress and Kendall)
Lynchey, as Treasurer (C00439869))

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on August 06, 2009, the Commission decided by a vote of 5-0 to take the following actions in AF 2045:

- 1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF 2045 involving Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer in making the final determination.
- 2. Make a final determination in AF 2045 that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from \$5,500).
- 3. Send the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, Petersen, Walther and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner McGahn II did not vote.

Attest:

Ougust 6, 2009 Date

Secretary of the Commission



August 20, 2009

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Kendall Lynchey
Baldermann for Congress
c/o 1938 E. Lincoln Highway, Suite 210
New Lenox, Illinois 60451

C00439869 AF# 2045

Dear Mr. Lynchey:

On April 8, 2009, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Baldermann for Congress and you, as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2008 Year-End Report. By letter dated April 13, 2009, the Commission sent you notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty calculated at RTB of \$5,500 in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On May 19, 2009, the Office of Administrative Review received the written response from Timothy A. Baldermann challenging the RTB civil money penalty.

The Reviewing Officer reviewed the Commission's RTB finding with its supporting documentation and the written response. Based on this review, the Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty in the amount of \$5,500 in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The basis for the Reviewing Officer's recommendation was included in the Final Determination Report, a copy of which was sent to you on June 15, 2009.

On July 7, 2009, the Commission received, via facsimile, the paper copy of the October Quarterly report. The report was filed electronically on July 10, 2009. Had the report been filed disclosing this level of activity (\$4) prior to the Commission's RTB finding, the civil money penalty would have been \$4 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a)(2)(i)(A) and (iii) as the schedule of penalties states that a penalty for respondents with no prior violations shall not exceed the level of activity in the report. The Reviewing Officer recommends that the Commission make a final determination that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$0 as the outlay of additional resources on this case to collect a \$4 civil money penalty is not in the best interests of the Commission or the respondents.

On August 6, 2009, the Commission adopted the Reviewing Officer's recommendation, made a final determination that Baldermann for Congress and its Treasurer violated

2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assessed a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$5,500). A copy of the final determination recommendation is attached.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. The file will be made a part of the public record pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 111.42(b). Although the file must be placed on the public record within 30 days from the date of the Commission's notification, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote.

If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Benitz on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Steven Swatteres

Steven T. Walther

Chairman

Attachment

CC: Timothy A. Baldermann



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